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CONSTRUCTION BEGINS ON THE STATE ROUTE 91 GREEN RIVER ROAD BRIDGE PROJECT

CORONA – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces that construction of a new \$21 million bridge at Green River Road on State Route 91 began this week. The bridge will be widened to six lanes, an ADA compliant sidewalk will be added to the structure, all four ramps will be modified to accommodate the height of the new bridge, Green Road and Fresno Road will be reconfigured, and two California Highway Patrol enforcement areas will be constructed.

Construction can be described in three phases:

Phase One-

Calls for construction of the eastbound side of the bridge. Motorists will
continue to use the existing bridge as the new eastbound side is built.

Phase Two-

 Traffic will be diverted to the new side. The old bridge will be demolished and the westbound side will be built. The ramps will be modified for continued use through these phases.

Phase Three-

 Ultimately all four ramps will be raised in order to accommodate the new bridge. In Phase Three the bridges will be tied together and the intersection of Green River Road and Fresno Road will be reconfigured.

During construction all lanes on the bridge will remain open. Ramp closures will be necessary on a limited basis.

Motorists can see a striping crew is currently in the project limits. Re-striping is needed in order to identify lanes and direct traffic through the work zone.





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Caltrans will maintain the same number of lanes on SR-91during the project, however, there will be no shoulder available through the project limits.

Why? Safety first. K-rails will be placed on SR-91next week in order to create work zones for the crew. In line with safety, most construction will be done behind K-rails (concrete barriers). The extra space is needed to move large equipment and materials in and out of the construction area as well.

Caltrans is urging all motorists to "Know before you go."

Project scheduling and information will be made available to you through Commuter Alerts and on our web site as construction progresses. Plan your drive accordingly by visiting our web site at Caltrans8.info for updates on the Green River Road Bridge Project and other projects in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. Sign up in the *News and Document Center* to receive up to the minute email alerts on this and other projects that may affect your commute.

Caltrans would like to thank motorists for their continued patience and support during the Green River Road Bridge Project. Please be aware of the construction area and always make a point to **SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE**.

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